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January 22, 1999

Alan R. Bell
President & Chief Executive Officer
Dakota Mining Corporation
1560 Broadway, Suite 880
Denver, Colorado 80202

Re: Contract Extension, USMX of Utah, Inc./Dakota Mining Corporation, Goldstrike Mine,
M/053/005, Washington County, Utah

Dear Mr. Bell:

Please find enclosed four original copies of a **Contract Change Order** which will extend the existing reclamation contract agreement through January of 2000. The existing contract is due to expire on January 31, 1999. This change will enable us to continue to make payments for expenses incurred for reclamation and continued post-closure monitoring of the Goldstrike Mine for the next 12 month period. As the designated contractor, your signature is required on the appropriate line of the form to enact this change order to the original contract.

Please sign all copies and return them to our office before January 31, 1999 to keep the contract in effect for the balance of 1999. Thank you for your assistance and prompt attention to this matter. If you have questions or concerns please contact me or Randy Harden at (801) 538-5286 and 538-5285 respectively.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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enclosure (change order)
cc: Randy Harden, DOGM
Doug Jensen, USMX of Utah, Inc.
M053005.ext

CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER
UTAH DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

To: USMX of Utah, Inc.
Address: Attention: Alan R. Bell
1560 Broadway, Suite 880
Denver, CO 80202
Vendor Number: 44407E
Commodity Code: 91223

Date: January 19, 1999
Project Name: Goldstrike Mine Reclamation
Project Number: NF GLD 09 B
Contract Number: 98-6739
Change Order No. 1

Fund	Agency	Org	Approp. Unit	Activity (Mine)	Expenditure Object	Project or Job
757	560	9193			7316	NF GLD 09 B

You are hereby requested to comply with the following changes from the contract plans and specifications:

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES IN QUANTITIES, UNIT PRICES, SCHEDULE, ETC.	INCREASE (DECREASE)
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1. Increase Contract completion time by 365 days for Maintenance and Monitoring of the site.

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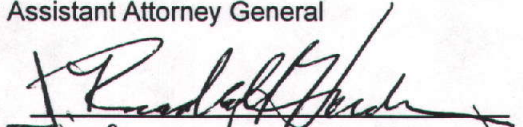
Net change in the contract price due to this order:

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THE SUM OF \$NO CHANGE IS HEREBY ADDED TO THE TOTAL CONTRACT PRICE OF \$972,450.00, AND THE TOTAL ADJUSTED CONTRACT PRICE TO DATE THEREBY IS \$972,450.00. THE TIME FOR COMPLETION OF THE CONTRACT IS INCREASED 365 CALENDAR DAYS. CONTRACT SHALL EXPIRE ON January 31, 2000. THIS DOCUMENT SHALL BECOME ATTACHED TO AND BECOME AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT AND ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT WILL APPLY HERETO.

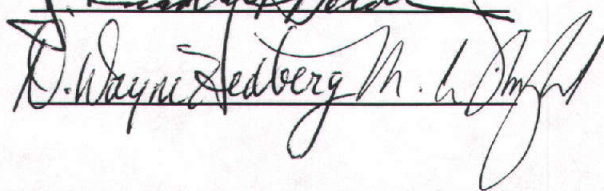
Approved as to form by Assistant Attorney General

Approved by
Contract Rep:



Date: 1-19-99

Approved by
Mining Admin:



Date: 1-19-99

Accepted by
Contractor:

Date: _____

Approved by
DOGM Budget Off:

Date: _____

Approved by
DOGM Director:

Date: _____

Approved by
Divn Purchasing:

Date: _____

Approved by
Divn of Finance:

Date: _____